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| INVENTOR: | James N. Humenik |) | EXAMINER: | |
| SERIAL NO.: | 10/645,384 |) | ART UNIT: | 3754 |
| FILING DATE: | August 21, 2003 |) | DATE: | March 29, 2005 |
| FOR: | Fully Automated Paste Dispense System for Dispensing Small Dots and Lines |) | | |

STATUS INQUIRY REQUEST

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully inquires about the status of the subject application. To date, no office action has been received since the filing of the application on August 21, 2003. Upon checking the March 22, 2005, Volume 1292 Number 4 of the Electronic Official Gazette for Patents, we find that the average filing date of applications receiving a first office action in the last three months is 11/30/03.

A duplicate copy of this request is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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